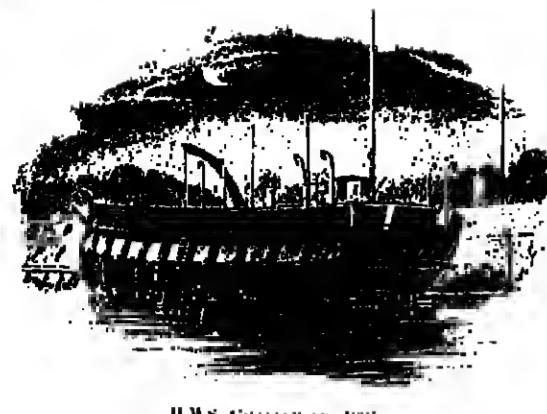




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### Future of the U.S. Academic Research Fleet

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In recent years, the U.S. oceanographic community has suffered a significant reduction in the size of its research fleet; if funding for the research fleet does not increase, the academic community may lose one or two more of its larger ships during the next 5 years. Federal agencies that sponsor research at sea, primarily the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the Office of Naval Research (ONR), are deeply concerned about the diminishing U.S. oceanographic capability, and they have requested a special study of the problem by the Ocean Sciences Board of the National Academy of Sciences. This study, under the direction of Michael Mullin of the Scripps Institute of Oceanography, is nearing completion, and a report is expected soon. In the following, I try to identify some of the reasons for this reduction, although the primary reason is not hard to anticipate (operating costs have been rising much faster than operating funds over the past 10 years).

#### Composition of the Fleet

The academic community depends primarily on the UNOLS fleet to do its science at sea. UNOLS is an organization of institutions that operate research vessels; it serves as a focus for fleet planning, coordination of schedules, and equipping of the research vessels. The present composition of the UNOLS fleet is shown in Table 1 and is compared with that of 1973.

The two largest ships of the present fleet, Woods Hole's R.V. Knorr and Scripps' R.V. Melville, are 245 ft long.

TABLE 1. Composition of UNOLS Fleet in 1973 and 1981

Operator	Ship		Length, ft	Year Built	Desired Retirement*
	1981	1973			
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution	Knorr	Knorr	245	1968	1989
	A II	A II	210	1983	1983
	Oceanus		177	1975	2005
	Chain	Chain	214	1944	1974
	Gosnold	Gosnold	99	1943	1973
	Melville	Melville	245	1970	2000
	T. Washington	T. Washington	208	1965	1985
	E.B. Scripps		170	1979	2008
	E.B. Scripps	E.B. Scripps	85	1965	1995
	Agassiz	Agassiz	180	1944	1974
	Oceanostole	Oceanostole	100	1944	1974
	Alphe Helix	Alphe Helix	133	1985	1995
	Conrad	Conrad	209	1962	1982
	Thompson	Thompson	209	1985	1985
	Hob	Hob	65	1943	1973
	Ona	Ona	85	1954	1994
	Endeavor		177	1978	2006
	Trident	Trident	180	1944	1974
	Alaminos	Alaminos	180	1945	1976
	Yeruuna	Yeruuna	177	1975	2005
	Cayuse	Cayuse	180	1944	1998
	Kane Keoki	Kane Keoki	168	1987	1987
	Moana Wave†		174	1973	2003
	Terit	Terit	90	1963	1983
	Columbus Iselin	Columbus Iselin	135	1981	2011
	Calanus	Calanus	170	1972	2002
	Gillis	Gillis	84	1970	2000
	Terit	Terit	209	1984	1994
	Eelward	Eelward	118	1994	1994
	Acons	Acons	90	1991	2011
	Velero IV	Velero IV	133	1995	2005
	Velero IV	Velero IV	120	1975	2005
	Ridgely Warfield	Ridgely Warfield	110	1948	1993
	Cayuse	Cayuse	80	1989	1997
	Longhorn	Longhorn	80	1971	1989
	Blue Fin	Blue Fin	95	1988	2001
	Kit Jones	Kit Jones	72	1972	1988
	Tursiops	Tursiops	95	1954	2002

\*Based on a useful life of 30 years.

†Used exclusively by the Navy since 1978.

### Present Trends and Activities

These ships are capable station-keeping platforms with excellent range and the capability to handle heavy equipment. They carry a large complement of scientists in relative comfort and have been the backbone of large programs, such as GEDSECS and PDLYMODE. Four of the UNOLS ships are about 210 ft long. Three of these are Navy-built AGOR class vessels, operated by Lamont-Doherty, Scripps, and the University of Washington; the fourth is *Allanis II*, built by the National Science Foundation and operated by Woods Hole. These ships have proven particularly effective for marine geological and geophysical investigations, having both range and seaworthiness. Two ships over 200 ft long, the *Gillis* of Miami and the *Vema* of Lamont-Doherty, were retired this year.

A ship replacement program sponsored by the National Science Foundation in the 1970's provided the UNOLS fleet with three new 177 ft vessels of the so-called 'Oceanus class.' Compared with the AGORs these ships have a limited range, but they provide seaworthy deep-sea platforms and have relatively low operating costs. The University of Miami's *Columbus Iselin*, which is only slightly smaller, was also built by the National Science Foundation. Completing the list of ships larger than 150 ft are the Navy-built *Gyre* and *Moana Wave*, Scripps' *New Horizon*, and Hawaii's *Kena Kaoki*. Since 1978, the *Moana Wave* has been used exclusively by the Navy.

Nearly half of the ships in the fleet are 135 ft or smaller, have limited endurance and range, and are mainly used for coastal work. The two newest ships to enter the fleet, the *Cape Florida* and the *Cape Hatteras*, were built by the National Science Foundation in 1981 as Coastal Zone Research Vessels (CZRV) and replaced vessels at the operating institutions.

Although the *Glomar Challenger*, the deep-sea drilling ship, is not a UNOLS vessel, it should be included in any summary of the U.S. deep-sea capability available to the academic community. Plans are well underway to convert the *Glomar Explorer* to a second-generation drilling vessel in the mid-1980's to replace the *Challenger*. The *Challenger*'s operation is supported by the National Science Foundation and by international partners in the Deep-Sea Drilling Project. It is planned that the *Explorer*'s conversion and operating costs will be shared between the National Science Foundation, international partners, and a consortium of contributing oil companies. Thus, the *Glomar Explorer* could be regarded as the major addition, albeit a replacement to the *Challenger*, to the U.S. deep-sea capability planned for the 1980's.

The deep submersible *Alvin* and its tender *Lulu* is also a part of the U.S. marine research capability. The *Alvin* is operated by Woods Hole as a national facility. The sponsoring agencies are considering converting one of the ships in the 150–200 ft class to serve as a tender for *Alvin* and retire the *Lulu*, which is slow and limited in range and accommodations for multidisciplinary programs. This conversion would remove another general purpose research ship from the fleet. Table 1 shows that the mix of ships has changed over the past 8 years. The trend has been to retire larger blue-water ships and replace them with smaller vessels, cheaper and more suitable for near-shore work.

One bright spot in the academic fleet picture is that the Navy has started a program of mid-life refits for the AGOR vessels, and the National Science Foundation has begun a similar refit program for ships it built. This would give these vessels an additional 15 years of service. The R.V. *Conrad*, the first AGOR to undergo mid-life refit, is now in the shipyard. This ship barely escaped retirement this spring, when both the National Science Foundation and the Office of Naval Research critically questioned its future use and saw its retirement as a convenient solution to a projected \$5 million deficit in the National Science Foundation's ship operating budget. Even with this refit, the AGOR's and *Allanis II* will reach the end of their serviceable lives in the mid-1980's, and there are no plans underway to replace them.

It should be noted that it is not just the academic fleet that is shrinking. NOAA has recently laid up the *Oregon*, *Kalaeloa*, *Surveyor*, and *Oceanographer* [McCaughy, 1981], which represent a loss of 963 sea days per year.

The academic fleet, even in its reduced state, is under pressure. In 1980, there were 1620 deays (based on 270 days/year/ship) available on the six ships longer than 200 ft, of which 1338 were used. For vessels in the 100–200-ft class, 2727 days out of a possible 3286 were used. Unused time requires the laying up of the larger ships for substantial periods of time. The projected use quotient is about the same for 1982, and there is no indication that the pattern will change in the near future. Curiously, during this same period, the leasing of privately owned research ships by the academic research community has increased. One of the reasons for leasing is to solve the logistic problems raised by the reduced fleet.

The decline in the use of ship time at sea is occurring in the face of a rapid growth in the production of doctoral scientists in all aspects of oceanography, and one must conclude that marine scientists are spending less time at sea. There are several reasons for this trend. One is the evolution of ocean science that is moving from an exploratory, data intensive phase toward more analysis of existing data and synthesis of global data sets in the framework of terrestrial and oceanic models. Another is the use of advanced data acquisition systems, such as multichannel seismic, multibeam sonars, moored stations, and modern hydrographic instruments that have greatly increased the data yield per day at sea; consequently, a day's data require more time ashore for analysis and interpretation. An additional reason is the increased activity by government agencies and commercial companies in oceanic sciences that has displaced some of the academic effort. This is especially true of marine geology and geophysics on the ocean margins, which is relevant to hydrocarbon assessment.

These reasons notwithstanding, it seems that the per capita decline in the requirement for sea time would be more than offset by the growth of the oceanographic community. The community is expected to nearly double between 1975 and 1985 [Robinson et al., 1981].

The decreasing size of the U.S. research fleet is primarily governed by present economics. The advanced technologies required by some disciplines are more expensive to operate, causing the 'unit price' of marine studies to double and triple while NSF's budget has not. The operating costs of ships have risen sharply, well above the inflation rate, while the funds available for UNOLS ship operations have remained essentially constant over the past few years after inflation is taken into account (Table 2).

The sharp rise in fuel oil prices is one of the main factors in the rising costs of operating ships. The annual fuel bill for an AGOR size vessel is over \$400,000, or about a quarter of the total annual cost, whereas in 1975 fuel accounts for only 12% of a vessel's operating costs. The rise in the price of bunker fuel was abrupt but lately has shown signs of becoming more stable. However, other costs ultimately depend on the energy cost and gradually catch up, and further increases in operating costs are expected. The daily rate for a ship of 210 ft is between \$6,500 and \$10,000. For the *Knorr* and *Melville* the rates are approaching \$12,000 per day. The *Glomar Challenger* costs a whopping \$33,000 per day to operate, and it is estimated that the *Glomar Explorer* will have a daily rate between \$70,000 and \$90,000 in 1984.

### National Science Foundation Burden

The National Science Foundation supports about 70% of the costs of operating the UNOLS fleet. Ten years ago it supported only 55%, and the Office of Naval Research supplied most of the balance. The Office of Naval Research, however, has been regularly decreasing the percentage of its contribution to academic research fleet operations (Table 2). The Navy is providing about 10–12% of the \$32.3 million dollar fleet budget in 1981 but is making a further contribution through the AGOR refit program and an oceanographic equipment updating program. Other sources, federal, state, and private, provide another \$5 million (or 15%).

Over the past 7 years the National Science Foundation has provided the financial backstop for UNOLS through its 'Institutional Funding' policy for ship operation. By this policy, a proposal submitted to the National Science Foundation for a seagoing research project does not include ship costs in its budget, only an indication of the type of ship required and the number of days. If the proposal is successful in the peer-review process, the ship time is usually awarded to the institution operating the ship. There is no doubt that this policy has made it easier to obtain funds for seagoing programs on larger ships through the National Science Foundation, compared with the Office of Naval Re-

TABLE 2. Operating Funds for UNOLS Ships

Agency	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	Proj. 1981
National Science Foundation	11.6	12.5	13.4	13.8	15.0	15.8	16.5	18.2	23.3
Office of Naval Research	3.9	3.6	3.5	3.2	2.8	2.4	2.6	3.3	3.4
Other	1.5	2.1	2.8	3.0	4.3	4.8	4.2	3.8	5.0
TOTAL*	16.9	18.2	18.7	19.8	21.9	22.8	23.3	25.3	31.7

In millions of dollars.

\*Average rate of increase 7.8%.

search, which requires that the ship time costs be included in the budgets. Other U.S. agencies, such as Department of Education, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Geological Survey, etc., which occasionally use the UNOLS fleet, buy ship time as needed and accept little or no responsibility for the health or composition of the fleet.

The stated objective of the National Science Foundation's funding policy is to ensure that no important sea-going marine research is neglected because of a lack of ship time. If this objective were met, it would imply that the decrease in use of U.S. research vessels corresponds to a decrease in need. However, because NSF provides the lion's share of the funds for the fleet and the science that is done on it, things do not work out as simply. Over the long term it is the ocean science plans and policies that the NSF develops in close partnership with the ocean research community that determine the need for sea-going platforms. Thus the academic community should be concerned about two developing trends in NSF ocean science policy and planning: (1) the decline in the number of larger-scale multi-institutional programs during the 1980's and (2) the shifting balance among research disciplines, in particular the balance between the deep-sea drilling efforts and other areas of ocean science.

### Large-Scale Ocean Science Programs

Since the end of the International Decade of Ocean Exploration (IDO), the number of large multi-institutional, interdisciplinary programs has decreased substantially. The successor to IDOE, the Cooperative Ocean Research Exploration Studies (CORES) program, has been dropped by the National Science Foundation in favor of a general encouragement to the academic community to submit large, long-term programs. However, the long-term proposals compete directly with small science programs with much smaller budgets. The net result of this change is that there are few large programs in the works for the 1980's. A National Academy of Sciences report [Wooster et al., 1979], on the other hand, argued that the cooperative programs of the 1970's (MODE/POLYMODE, GESECS, and CLIMAP) had brought the marine sciences to a point where large cooperative efforts would truly pay off. For example, it is clear that the time is ripe for a program in the polar seas. A major result of the 1970's programs was a deepened appreciation for the importance of the polar regions on the world's climate, deep ocean circulation, and food and mineral resources. Yet, plans for the 1980's are relatively modest. To mount a polar program would require an ice-strengthened vessel that could operate safely in Arctic and Antarctic waters. There has been extensive planning for an Antarctic vessel, and a clear need has been defined; as of now, however, no action has been taken by the National Science Foundation.

Continental margins are another continental target that seems due for a major program of exploration. Much insight into the evolution and processes in passive and active margins was gained in the past decade. Much of it came from deep-sea drilling, and drilling is the main tool planned for exploration in the 1980's.

fabrics for sails, Kevlar polyamide fiber for lines, and improved paints.

A ship incorporating these features would have several advantages over modern research vessels that are solely engine powered, according to the panel. Vibrations and noise generated by engines would be reduced, and the sails would limit the ship's rolling. Fuel consumption changes the fuel load and, with it, the ship's stability; by reducing the rate of fuel consumption, sails will slow the change in stability.

The largest problem to be overcome [with the motor-sailer] may be the state of mind of some scientists or administrators who know little about large sailing ships and may react negatively before investigating the possibilities, states the panel report. Other problems include the potential interference with deck operations by the sailing ship's rigging and the possibility that the mast height would prevent the ship from entering harbors with low bridge clearances.

Nevertheless, the panel, chaired by Willard Bascom of the Coastal Water Research Project, recommended that OSB take the lead in proposing further investigation of the possibilities for using sailing ships for oceanographic research. Further study would better define requirements, relative to the rest of the oceanographic fleet, size, hull form, sail plan, automation possibilities, and fuel savings on various voyages, and make preliminary capital and operating cost estimates.

To give OSB a head start, the panel offered a design sketch of a motor-assisted sailing ship (see diagram) and some tentative specifications. *—BTR*

#### Deep Sea Cores Available

Scientists aboard the *Glomar Challenger* collected a 235-m core of marine sediment specifically for geochemical study. This core, obtained with the hydraulic piston corer from site 532 (leg 75) in the South Atlantic, was frozen immediately upon its retrieval to preserve its organic geochemical properties. Samples from this core are now available to researchers.

Site 532 is a reoccupation of deep-sea drilling (DSDP) site 362 of leg 40. The organic carbon content in this bioturbated core ranges between 1 and 6% and appears to fluctuate markedly on a time scale of 20,000–50,000 years. The lowest values occur in deeper sediments, and they generally are higher in younger sediments, reflecting an intensification of upwelling conditions at this location. An organic carbon maximum in upper Pliocene sediments records stronger upwelling conditions during that time.

The shipboard party obtained two other cores at site 532 that are the subjects of numerous paleontological, sedimentological, geochemical, and geophysical studies. The information from these current investigations combined with earlier studies from DSDP leg 40 and from the nearby Walvis Bay–Namibian shelf area provide an interpretation background not often available to geochemists studying core materials.

Investigators wishing to receive frozen core samples should send a brief (300 word) description of the proposed study and their sample requirements to Bemidji R. T. Simonett, Chairman, Organic Geochemistry Advisory Panel, School of Oceanography, University of Rhode Island, Narragansett, RI 02882.

Repositories of marine samples in this country, Representatives from NGSDC also participated because the initial goal was to establish a uniform scheme for reporting station and sediment data from gravity cores, grab samples, piston cores, box cores, etc. This was done, and is now referred to as the Curator's Format. The cooperation has continued and now includes representatives from Canada, England, and France. This meeting, from 1 p.m. to about 6 p.m. in Cabana A and B of Sloufer's Hotel, will be the fourth one, and participation is welcome by anyone interested in marine science, data handling, sampling equipment design, etc.

For more information please contact Floyd W. McCoy or Mrs. Rusty Lott, Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory, Palisades, NY 10564 (914-358-2900).

#### Scientific Ocean Drilling

'Future Scientific Ocean Drilling Programs: The Problems, Objectives, and Plans' is the title for the Conference on Scientific Ocean Drilling (COSOD), scheduled for November 16–18 at the University of Texas at Austin. Sponsored by the Joint Oceanographic Institutions for Deep Earth Sampling (JOIDES) and convened by the COSOD Steering Committee, the meeting is open to the general scientific community; there is no registration fee.

On the agenda for the first 2 days of the conference are reports and workshop discussions on the origin and evolution of oceanic crust; on the origin and evolution of marine sedimentary sequences; on the tectonic evolution of continental margins and oceanic crust; and on the cause of long-term changes in the atmosphere, oceans, cryosphere, biosphere, and magnetic field.

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can only be reflected at 1–2 kb pressure relevant to this discussion at temperatures below 250°C. In fact, temperatures of over 370°C have been encountered in several geothermal areas. In discussing some of the effects of geothermal exploitation he notes 'at The Geysers a blow-out blew the top off a hill' (not true). Also in drilling at The Geysers, 'more bits may be lost due to the high state of fracturing' (p. 67). There are numerous cases where decimal points have been left out or misplaced, which leads to large errors of fact. There is an extensive discussion in chapter 5 on artificial stimulation of geothermal systems, and explosive stimulation is treated as if it were a routine practice. In fact I have not heard anyone seriously proposing such stimulation techniques. Given the quality of the book and the information content, the price is probably one of the most outrageous overcharges I have come across in some time. Several times more information per dollar can be obtained by purchasing the U.N. Symposium volumes or the

GRC Transactions or by joining a geothermal organization. The author, editor, and publisher of this book ought to be embarrassed.

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#### Circulation Models of Lakes and Inland Seas

T. J. Simone, Government of Canada Fisheries and Oceans, Ottawa, M1N 1A6 pp., 1980, \$14.40.

Reviewed by Malcolm Bowman

The book is a sophisticated review of hydrodynamic theory with applications to large-scale circulations in lakes and inland seas. It assumes the reader has a working knowledge of geophysical fluid dynamics. As such, this is not a text for someone wanting to get started in numerical modeling, either in understanding the basic theory or deciding what type of model to develop or apply to a given problem. This is not intended as a criticism of this particular text, but the science of hydrodynamic modeling, both analytical and numerical, very complicated and is not readily accessible to limnologists and oceanographers in general.

Chapters 1 and 2 review, and sensibly do not attempt to derive, the fundamental equations of mass, momentum, and energy balances both for vertically integrated and layered formulations of these equations.

Chapter 3 summarizes known analytical solutions to vertical current variations, principally at steady state, time dependent and stratified Ekman flows, and the normal modes of a stratified basin.

Numerical solution techniques (principally the finite difference method) are discussed in chapter 4. This is more of a historical review of the great diversity of numerical techniques that have evolved rather than a mathematical analysis. The reader will have to derive further into the pertinent literature to get help in deriving suitable algorithms for a particular problem.

Chapters 5 and 6 summarize current understanding of steady state and time-dependent circulations in homogeneous basins, while chapter 7 discusses stratified flows. Most of the examples of modeled and observed flows are for Lake Ontario, which presumably reflects the proximity of the Canadian National Water Research Institute to this inland sea. Contaminant transport and mixing by advection and diffusion and its coupling to the hydrodynamics are not discussed in any detail. Tidal hydrodynamics are by nature outside the scope of the book.

I am sorry that the author did not provide a summary chapter in which he might have shared his candid views on the inadequacies of present modeling efforts. This might have enabled those of us who are more interested in applying rather than developing models to become more aware of their limitations and sometimes downright ridiculous predictions. Strangely, the book lacks a subject index.

This monograph will be of great benefit as a reference to the advanced modeler of large-scale circulations in inland seas and a guiding light to those of us struggling to do a credible job of modeling the complexities and overwhelming variability of the marine environment.

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with names of four references to David Kiriley, Department of Geology, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287, by January 15, 1982. Arizona State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

## EARTH SCIENCES

The Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory of Columbia University invites scientists interested in any field of the earth sciences to apply for the following fellowships: two postdoctoral fellowships, each awarded for a period of one year (extendable to two years in special instances) beginning in September 1982 with a stipend of \$22,500 per annum. Completed applications are to be turned in January 15, 1982. Application forms may be obtained by writing to the Director, Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory, Palisades, New York 10964. Award announcements will be made February 26, 1982 or shortly thereafter. The Observatory also welcomes applications from candidates for postdoctoral research associate positions in the discipline.

**Structural Geology/University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign-Urbana.** (Search opened) The Geology Department is seeking a structural geologist for a tenure-track (assistant professor) faculty position. A Ph.D. is required. Salary open. The successful candidate will be expected to teach advanced undergraduate and graduate courses in structural geology and tectonics or equivalent program. For equal consideration, applications including the names of three referees, should be sent by February 1, 1982 to Dr. O. E. Anderson, Department of Geology, University of Illinois, 245 Natural History Building, 1301 West Green Street, Urbana, IL 61801-2999, (217) 333-9713.

Position to be filled by September 19, 1982. The University of Illinois is an affirmative action/ equal opportunity employer.

**Groundwater Hydrologist.** The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Division of Water has a vacancy at the Principal Hydrologist level for an experienced groundwater hydrologist to provide leadership for a program of ground water studies and monitoring to support State Water allocation decisions and to provide quantifiable assessments for planning and management purposes. Address inquiries and requests for application forms to: Sarah P. Tuford, GNR-Division of Waters, Third Floor Space Center Building, 444 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55101. Present salary range \$23,323 to \$31,132 annually, subject to review in the near future.

## University of Zimbabwe

Applications are invited for the following post:

### LECTURESHIP/ SENIOR LECTURESHIP Physics (Geophysics) (available 1/2/81)

#### SALARY SCALE

Lecturer Grade II: \$7,008 x 504 = \$9,526 - \$12,168  
Lecturer Grade I: \$12,720 x 528 = \$14,832  
Senior Lecturer: \$14,040 x 528 = \$15,624 x 540 = \$16,324

#### CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

Both permanent pensionable terms and short-term contracts are offered for academic posts.

#### VACANCY

It is intended that the advertised post will be filled by a geophysicist (i.e., a physicist whose interests lie in the earth sciences). Preference will be given to applicants with experience in exploration geophysics who will be able to play a major part in the running of the MSc course in Exploration Geophysics starting in March, 1983. However, applicants with interests in other parts of geophysics, e.g., paleomagnetism, will be considered. Should such an applicant be appointed he will be expected to take part in the teaching of the MSc course.

#### FURTHER PARTICULARS

Further particulars on the above posts, on conditions of service and method of application should be obtained prior to submitting an application from:

Director, Appointments & Personnel,  
University of Zimbabwe,  
P.O. Box MP 167  
Mount Pleasant, Salisbury  
Zimbabwe.

Applications should be submitted by November 15, 1981.

**Oceanographer or Meteorologist.** The Office of Research and Development, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), has announced the vacancy of oceanographer or meteorologist located in the Office of Programs and Information Activities, Program Coordination Division. The Division is looking for an oceanographer or meteorologist to be responsible for providing technical guidance in planning, coordinating, evaluating and recommending proposed research projects and programs in oceanography or meteorology and related fields of interest to NOAA. QUALIFICATIONS FOR OCEANOGRAPHER: Candidates must possess a Bachelor's degree or equivalent in oceanography or related discipline which included: (1) 24 semester hours in oceanography or related disciplines; plus (2) 20 semester hours in any combination of oceanography, physics, geophysics, chemistry, math, meteorology and engineering. Must also have three years of professional experience in or directly related to oceanography. DUAL-QUALIFICATIONS FOR METEOROLOGIST: Candidates must possess a Bachelor's degree or equivalent in meteorology which included 24 semester hours in meteorology. Must also have three years of professional experience in or directly related to meteorology. SALARY: Entry salary will range from \$22,566 to \$33,588 per annum. APPLICATION: Standard Form 171 application (Personnel Qualifications Statement) must be received no later than October 20, 1981, to Mrs. S. A. Voss, Office of Personnel (MB/PER/11), NOAA, 8001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, Maryland, 20852.

The Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is an equal opportunity employer.

**Centrell Postdoctoral Fellowship.** The California Institute of Technology invites applications for the Seismological Postdoctoral Fellowship Program in Earthquake Seismology at the Seismological Laboratory. Appointment will be made for one year with the possibility of a second year renewal. The 1981-82 stipend is \$22,000 plus travel expenses. The program is limited to United States and Canadian citizens. Interested persons are asked to contact: Dr. Barclay K. Kamb, Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California 91109, (213) 359-2450.

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**Instrumental Analysis/Staff Research Associate III.** Job # 81-08-23. Oversees computer-automated wavelength dispersive XRF spectrometer. Minimum qualification: two years analytical experience or equivalent academic background, probably but not necessarily with XRF or NOVA computer. Duties include: maintenance and repair of equipment; software development in FORTRAN for on-line minicomputer; participation in design and execution of samples for analyzing trace metals in geological materials; and instruction of users. After first year, opportunity exists for personal research as time permits. Applicant should list equipment and applications with which they're experienced, and responsibilities therein. Salary \$1755/month. Apply to Personnel Office, University of California Santa Cruz, 1158 High Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95064 no later than November 1, 1981.

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## The Caswell Silver Distinguished Professorship in Geology THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

The Department of Geology of the University of New Mexico is pleased to invite nominations or applications for the Caswell Silver Distinguished Professorship in Geology. This endowed professorship shall be awarded for periods of up to two years to earth scientists of distinguished accomplishment and international reputation. The professorship may be held by scientists of all specialties of the earth sciences in the broadest sense, and the major criterion for selection is that the individual be an active, productive leader in his or her field of research. The recipient must carry out a vigorous research program while in residence at UNM. The recipient is expected to interact with the faculty and students of the Department and to provide one or more seminars, in an advanced topic of his/her choice, during each academic year. The Foundation will provide unusually advantageous remuneration commensurate with the distinguished nature of the appointment. In addition, a generous allocation for travel and operating expenses (to include secretarial support, analytical services in department laboratories, use of field vehicles, end preparation of manuscripts) will be provided.

Application or nomination should include a detailed resume and brief statement of major research accomplishments. Applications or nominations should be forwarded to:

Rodney C. Ewing, Chairman  
Department of Geology  
University of New Mexico  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87131

The deadline for applications is January 1, 1982.

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He or she should have a desire to undertake locally oriented research with the aid of the undergraduate and to make the potential use of  $^{14}N$ / $^{15}N$  as a tracer. The laboratory facilities for sample preparation and analysis are fully functional and will be available. Applicants should have training in oceanography and a good perspective on general physical oceanographic models.

Send resume and references to Professor G. J. Wasserburg, Lunar Asylum, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA 91109.

Caltech is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer (M/F/V).

A Ph.D. is preferred but applicants with a Master's degree and significant work experience will be considered. Engineering background helpful. Located in located in the Allegheny Mountains of northwestern Pennsylvania, an area rich in scenic and recreational opportunities. Cooperative research opportunities will be welcomed by the Allegheny National Forest and other local and regional areas.

Please send a letter of application and three letters of reference by November 15 to: Dr. Edgar Hayes, Chairman, Search Committee, University of Pittsburgh at Bradford, Bradford, PA 16701. We will be interviewing at the GSA meeting in Cincinnati.

UP is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

**Position in Tectonics, Seismology/Rice University, Houston, Texas.** The Department of Geology plans to expand its geophysical program. Emphasis will be on reflection seismology. At this time applications are for the first of two open faculty positions. The successful applicant will help in the search for and selection of the second faculty member.

Your main responsibility will be to lead our department into the area of modern reflection seismology. Your main teaching and research interests should be in the acquisition and processing of reflection seismic data. You should also help in developing rigorous undergraduate and graduate curricula, which are supported by the traditional strength of the Math Sciences, Physics, and Electrical Engineering Departments at Rice. Enthusiasm to work with and undertake some joint projects with our geologists is essential.

Our plan is to acquire a computer system configured for high quality data processing. Substantial seed money for this facility is already in hand. Creative cooperation with the oil and geophysical industry in Houston, including a reasonable amount of consulting, is encouraged. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Applicants should have background in physical and biological processes important in weathered hydrology. Impact of land use on water quantity and quality, and quantitative methods including statistical, systems analysis, simulation. Required Ph.D. at one degree in a natural resource area.

We're position announcement or submit curriculum vitae, representative publications, three references by December 15 to: Chairman, Faculty Council of Forestry and Environmental Sciences Box EA, Duke University, Durham, NC 27708.

DU is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

**Postdoctoral Research Fellowships/Cards.** The Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences at the California Institute of Technology expects to offer postdoctoral research fellowships in one or more of the following areas: geology, geochemistry, petrology, and planetary sciences. Interested persons are asked to contact: Dr. S. S. Kirby, Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California 91109.

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**Assistant Professor/Department of Geology, University of Vermont.** The Geology Department at the University of Vermont is recruiting for a tenure track position at the assistant professor level to begin September 1982. Field of specialization should complement existing faculty expertise in petrology, structure and regional geology. Applications are solicited in, but not restricted to, geochemistry, mineralogy, petrology or mineralogy. The successful candidate will be expected to develop a research program involving both graduate students (M.S.) and advanced undergraduates. Applications will be accepted until December 1981.

Candidates should send resume and arrange for three letters of reference to be sent to:

Dr. John C. Drury  
Acting Chairman  
Department of Geology  
University of Vermont  
Burlington, VT 05405

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**Environmental/Surface Geologist.** The University of Tennessee at Bradford is seeking a person with a broad range of interests to fill a tenure track position in its Earth and Environmental Sciences Program beginning in January (preferred) or September 1982. This program is a geology-based environmental program which started in 1980 and now has twenty-five majors.

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